Aron County Register.

By NLI D. AKE.

IRONTON, 1 : MISSOURI

The operation performed on Gov. Taft, on the 29th, was successful. He expects to start for home December 10, to recuperate and confer with Secretary Root.

Miss Klumpke, of Chicago, who for 15 years has been assistant at the Paris observatory, is going to Stanford university as chief assistant to Prof. Isaac Roberts. Her special work will be astral photography.

A brilliant Thanksgiving day reception was held at the American embassy in London on the night of the 28th. American business and private houses were decorated with the Stars and Stripes during the day.

Gov. Jenkins of Oklahoma, against whom charges have been preferred, had a conference with the president on the 25th. He was accompanied by Secretary Hitchcock. No information regarding the conference was given out.

The supreme court of Nevada, 20 the 25th, handed down a decision sustaining the validity of the Lockwood primary law. The law provides for the election of delegates to county conventions at a general primary held on the same day for all parties.

A cablegram to the state department from Rome announced the death, on the 26th, of United States Consul James Fletcher, at Genca, Italy. Mr. Fletcher was born in England, but was appointed to the general consulate from Iowa 18 years

Dr. Francis E. Clarke, president of the World's Christian Endeavor, will ters. sail for Europe January 4, where he will give his personal efforts to establishing the society more firmly in central Europe, Scandinavia, France, Spain, Italy, Holland, Bohemia and

The New Jersey state board of canvassers appointed by the governor, met at Trenton, on the 26th, and canvassed the vote cast at the recent election for governor. It was found that Franklin Murphy (rep.) received 183,814 votes, and James H. Seymour (dem.) 166,681.

Gen. Leonard Wood, military governor of Cuba, arrived in Washington on the 29th. Accompanying him were Mrs. Wood and Lieut. McCoy. The general will spend some days in Washington in conference with the president and the secretary of war regarding affairs in Cuba.

The preliminary work of revising the creed of the Presbyterian church so as to make it more popularly unassembly to accomplish this result.

Three more of the old war monitors which have been lying at the past have been condemned and are to be sold at public auction. They are the Catskill, built by Eriesson, and the Manhattan and Hahopanek, built at Jersey City during the days of the

The lessees of Indian allotments in the Creek nation have appealed to the courts for redress. They are being given notice to vacate land on which they have expended all their money to make necessary improvements, and orphans, resulting from the China exall of which they will lose by vacat- pedition, amount to 491,000 marks aning. They contend that the Indians should pay for the improvements.

Another big batch of publications, excluded from the second class of mail matter, under the new policy governing that classification, was announced from Washington on the 25th. Most of them are serials published in Minneapolis and Philadelphia. The list includes several newspapers, almanacs and railroad guides.

Canvassers for subscriptions to the Lewis and Clark Centennial exposition, which it is proposed to hold in Portland, Ore., in 1905, started out on the morning of the 25th, and it was understood at night that practically the entire capital stock of the corporation, \$300,000, had been assured as the result of the single day's work.

Four large icebergs were visible from St. Johns, N. F., on the 25th. They were drifting south in the track of Atlantic shipping. Icebergs have never before been known to pass that port so late in the season. Their presence is consequently all the more dangerous to ocean shipmasters, who do not now expect to find icebergs on the Grand banks.

The long-delayed correspondence of Prince Bismarck was published in Berlin on the 28th. The work is in two volumes. The first is made up of the letters between William I. and Bismarck, many of which are extremely interesting, while the second volume is composed of miscellaneous letters exchanged between Bismarck and various notable personages.

Mr. Leischmann, United States minister to Constantinople, called at the state department, on the 26th, prior to his return to his post, having been on leave of absence in this county. As ing and critical stage, owing to the the use of his limbs to the generosity ence. These two powers have sent pendency of Miss Stone's case, it was of Miss Helen Miller Gould, who has identical notes to the other powers necessary for the department to equip him fully with instructions.

tory at the St. Louis World's fair. fessed to C. G. Knox, president of the of the government, issued on the 2d, Solid cubes of the product, hewn from bank, that his books showed a short- shows that during November, 1901, the undeveloped mines of that section, are to make the walls of the building. Asphalt is to be used for lating. Acquaintances say he lived which leaves a surplus for the month the roof and promenades surrounding the edifice. The main entrance, rising into a massive arch, will be constructed of Indian territory granite. The interior of the structure will be finwainscoting of marble taken from the at last accounts was in a serious consame country.

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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

The Rome Fanfulla credits Signo Gioletti. Italian minister of the in- and the disease is not yet under conterior, with the statement that Louis trol. Granotti is now in Chicago, where he is being shadowed by the police. Louis Granotti, an accomplice of Bresci, the assassin of King Humbert, was recently sentenced to life imprison-

Authoritative reports have been received in Washington, showing that the various arsenals in China are working overtime to turn out arms, field and great guns and ammunition for the use of Chinese troops. In addition China is importing large quantities of arms and munitions of war. George M. Pullman, Jr., son of the late millionaire car builder, died at his country home in San Mateo, Cal.,

accepted the offer to become director guish the flames and then went to connection with the Louisiana Pur- wife and chilldren had been burned chase centennial exposition at St. Louis in 1903. Fire, which started in the plant of

W. E. Uptegrove & Bros., box manu the past few years has made a wonfacturers, in New York, on the night of the 28th, was not brought under control until property valued at \$1,- to customhouse reports the ship-000,000 had been destroyed.

It transpires that the purchaser of the historic Battle Abbey, in England, recently sold at auction for \$1,000,001 is Sir Augustus Frederick Webster, bart., a descendant of Sir Thomas Webster, whose family formerly held the property for 130 years.

Having received official notice from the Turkish minister at Washington that the 28th was the anniversary of the birth of the sultan, President Roosevelt sent that monarch a personal telegram of congratulations.

The works of the National Enamelderstood, was inaugurated in Wash- ing and Stamping Co., in Brooklyn, ington, on the 28th, at a meeting of were entirely destroyed by fire on the the section of the committee of twen- 28th, and George Koch, a watchman, ty appointed at the last Presbyterian was burned to death .. The loss will be more than \$500,000. Paul Deschanel, former councillor

of the French embassy at Washington, where he married a daughter of League Island navy yard for years Gen. George B. McClellan, has been appointed French ministed to Hayti. William Franklin Willoughby, the newly-appointed treasurer of the island of Porto Rico, succeeding Jacob Hollander, resigned, arrived at

San Juan on the 29th. The estimates for Germany's expenditure in China for the year 1902 are 39,500,000 marks, as against 123,-500,000 marks expended in China in 1901. The pensions for widows and

nually. William Hemmings, aged nine, living near Williamsburg, Neb., shot and killed his eight-year-old brother, on the 29th, while playing with an old by royal decree. The library will whistle. revolver. The ball passed through contain all publications relating to the base of the child's skull, and he

lived but a few minutes. J. W. McRae, president of the Canadian Railway Accident Insurance Co., and vice-president of a number of companies, accidentally shot and killed himself in his office at Ottawa, Ont., on the 29th, while engaged in cleaning his revolver.

The statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, issued on the 29th, showed: Available cash balance, \$167,841,164. Gold, \$106,679,340.

On the 29th R. G. Dun & Co. reported: "Failures for the week numbered 182 in the United States, against 178 last year, and 25 in Canada, against 21 last year.'

The duke of Teck was thrown from his horse, on the 29th, while cut hunting near Nantwich, England, sustaining a concussion of the brain and an injury to his hip.

Private Albert Francis, Fourth cavalry, was killed at Fort Leavenworth, Kas., on the 29th, by his horse falling on him. His home is in Indianapolis. He was 20 years old and enlisted two

Barney Conway, who claimed to be New Albany, Ind., on the 29th. He cast his first vote for Gen. Jackson for

President Roosevelt, on the 29th. sent a large floral tribute to be laid on the grave of Joseph Armistead Carr, late lieutenant of Troop D, of the rough riders, whose remains were St. Petersburg, Germany and Russia interred at Arlington.

Peter Fallo, an eight-year-old newsexpended a large sum of money to of the world, and presumably to the have him cured of infantile paralysis. United States, inviting them all to Theodore Duddleston, confidential participate in the conference.

A structure of coal will form the clerk at the National Stock Yards The monthly comparative statebank, East St. Louis, Ill., has con- ment of the receipts and expenditures age of between \$11,000 and \$12,000. the receipts amounted to \$45,776,776, The money, he said, was lost in specu- and the expenditures to \$40,198,916,

beyond his income. S. C. Smiley, one of the best-known republican leaders in St. Clair county, Ill., and an ex-representative, suffered a stroke of paralysis, on the 29th, and

Terry McGovern says of his recent defeat: "I saw this thing coming the first day I put on the gloves, and I knew that some day Terry McGovern would have to go way back and sit down like the rest. But I made up my mind that when I did sit down it would be on a silk cushion, trimmed with gold, and that is just what I will

Through Capt. Perry of the United States battleship Iowa, the Colombian insurgent liberals surrendered the city of Colon and the garrison troops to the conservatives at noon on the 29th, in accordance with terms agreed up-

on the day pervious. Apprehension concerning the fate of Miss Stone has been aroused as a result of the reiteration by the press dispatches of the statement that Miss Stone and Mme. Tsilka have been murdered by their brigand captors.

Anthrax, a disease common to cattle, has broken out in the deerhouse of Sam Keene, of Wayne City, Ill., and within the last few weeks his herd has been reduced from 50 to 16 deer,

A Roman bronze tablet, to the mem ory of the late President McKinley. will be sent to Washington in a few days as a tribute from the Italian residents of the United States. President Roosevelt will be requested to give the tablet a place in the capitol. The Springfield (Ill.) police were notified, on the 29th, of the arrest, in

dering a fellow-Italian named Gui-

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

seppe Noto, near Sherman, Ill.

Five persons, a mother and her four on the 28th, aged 26 years. He had children, were burned to death at been ill several weeks with pneumo Gwayn station, on the Wopsono Creek nio. He was married, about two railway, three miles north of Altoona, months ago, to Mrs. Sarah Brazell, Pa., on the night of the 30th. The one of the three beautiful West sis- husband escaped with severe injuries. When the mother awakened and found Dr. William Rainey Harper, presi- the house on fire. She aroused her dent of the University of Chicago, has husband, who attempted to extinof universal educational congresses in call neighbors. When he returned his to death.

The exportation of cotton to the orient by way of Puget sound during derful increase. November was a record-breaker in that line. According ments amounted to 14,000 bales of cotton valued at \$80,000.

The report of the manager of athletics at Harvard university, for the past year, shows that the receipts from all branches of athletics amounted to \$117,317, and the expenses \$78,238. The receipts from es into the brain. He does not exhibfootball were \$55,810, and the expenses \$19,688.

Arthur W. Soper, president of the Pintsch Compressing Co., the Safety Car Heating and Lighting Co., and a prominent figure in many corporations, died after a month's illness at jams' brain was penetrated with a and forestry, in both the Omaha and his residence in New York, on the 1st, from a complication of stomach troubles.

The Nitroglycerine Workers' National association met in Marion, Ind., on the 1st, and decided to establish an insurance feature in favor of widows and orphans of the members who may and he says she took \$41,000. meet death in their vocation. Separate state organizations will be formed.

and stockman of Platte Center, Neb., valid, because the law makes no pro. of state represents the government in while watching the operation of 3 vision for a deputy. corn-sheller in St. Joseph, Mo., on the 30th, was drawn in to the feeder and lost both his arms. He died from shock and loss of blood.

Capt. R. D. Mayo, who left Chicago, on the 30th, in his life-saving device, arrived safely at Grand Haven, Mich., on the 1st. The voyage was made without accident, although a strong sea was encountered.

The establishment in Rome of an American library has been ordered the new world since its discovery.

In the senate, on the 2d, precisely at 12 o'clock, Mr. Frye (Me.) president pro tem., rapped to order. The chaplain offered an impressive prayer. Credentials of new members were presented and their bearers sworn in. The usual resolutions were adopted and committees of notification appointed. Recess was taken until two o'clock, when, no formal notice from the house having been received, Mr. Gamble (S. D.) announced the death of Senator Kyle, of that state, when, after the adoption of resolutions, the senate adjourned In the house the organization was accomplished stroyed by fire. Loss \$13,000. The dents, Speaker Henderson was sworn in by Gen. Bingham, the "father of the house," and in turn administered the oath to members-elect. The usual committees were appointed to notify the senate and president that the house was organized and ready to do business. The rules of the last house were adopted, and the biennial seat-

drawing then took place. With imposing ceremonies, embracing a parade of federal forces, state militia and confederate veterans, Wabash railroad wreck in Michigan. beautiful women and cheering col-106 years old, died at his home near legians; a programme of exercises graced by distinguished speakers, and with words of greeting from the president of the United States, the South Carolina Interstate and West Indian exposition at Charleston, was opened

officially on the 2d. According to a special dispatch from have reached an entire agreement concerning the advantage of calling an boy from Brooklyn, owes his life and international anti-anarchist confer-

> of \$5,517,860, and 32,878,930 for the five months of the present fiscal year.

1815.

Edward John Eyre, who was governor of Jamaica and its dependencies, 1862-1866 and who put down the mutiny of the negroes there, died in London on the 2d. He was born in

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Says Department Was Negligent. The coroner's jury of St. Louis, in its report on the investigation of the deaths of the children who died from tetanus (lockjaw), after antitoxin had been administered for diphtheria, declares that the health department was negligent. The coroner's verdict in closing says:

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The testimony shows that the heaith department owned a horse named "Jim," stabled at the poorhouse farm, and used in the preparation of diphtheria antitoxin; said horse, "Jim," developed tetanus on October 2 and was at once killed; blood was drawn from said horse "Jim" on August 24, the serum of which was nontoxic; blood was again drawn from said horse "Jim" September 30 (during the period of incubation of tetanus), the serum of which contained tetanus toxin. Serum drawn September 30 was issued by the health department in bottles bearing labels respectively dated August 24 and September 30.

Recent Deaths. Charles S. Gaspell, a railroad con-Mason, at Kansas City. In 1870 he ran the first Katy train out of Se-

Jacob Richert, formerly of St. Louis, at Kansas City, aged 82. Wiley Carrington, a large land owner, at his home near Holden, aged 65.

Elevator Fell Three Stories. floor, probably fatally injuring John Bannon, salesman, Helen Ryan and Lillian Maylan saleswomen, and seri-Detroit, Mich., of Filipo Tocco, an ously injuring Arthur Burns, elevator Italian laborer who is accused of mur- boy. Burns may recover.

Bad Negro With a Gun.

At a negro dance in Lathrop, Clinton county, Warior Estes, colored. shot and killed Dora Slaughter, also colored, and Adolph Nevins, white. gineers had intended to make Capt. and seriously wounded Ben Williams, Louis, the recipient of much honor at employed at a livery stable.

Gave the State His Father's Portrait. Willard P. Hall, Jr., of Buchanan county, has presented the state with a portrait of his father, who succeeded Gov. Gamble as governor of Missouri. This completes the list of pictures of Missouri's governors in the mansion at Jefferson City.

Gartrell Found Guilty.

ler for the killing of D. B. Donegan, ments, pending the arbitration of a a Colorado miner, was found guilty question of construction, has been of murder in the first degree. The adopted and published. prisoner, who is 70 years old, listened with indifference to the reading of letter from President Pacheco, of

Does Not Inconvenience Him. Gert Ashby, a negro, is at the St. Louis city hospital, with a bullet hole through his head, entering the forehead. Doctors have probed two inch-

it any unfavorable symptoms.

pair of shears.

Lost Young Wife and Money. Last spring a St. Louis man, aged over half a century, married a 17year-old girl a few days after his wife died. The young wife has left him,

Is Not Valid. that a dramshop license issued by Jesse Dixon, a well-known farmer deputy excise commissioner is not

Scored by a Pastor. Rev. J. E. Cook, pastor of a Jeffer-

county officials with being connected duction of the late President McKinwith gambling. Veteran Killed by a Train. John Carter, aged 70, a civil war

veteran, was struck by a Frisco en-

gine, at Sullivan, and instantly killed. He was deaf and did not hear the Indians in Reform School.

Among a lot of prisoners received

at the state reform school, at Boonville, are nine young Cherokee In. appointed. The presidents of the leaddians, convicted of horse stealing and

Ten Years for Arson. arson, were found guilty and sentenced to ten years in the peniten-

Destructive Fire at Portland. Nearly the entire business portion of Portland, Callaway county, was de-

according to time-honored prece- fire, it is alleged, was of incendiary Died From His Injuries. John W. Ross, a hardware merchant

> Was Killed in a Wreck. builder and paving contractor of Kan- en shovel unearthed at Doe Run, and route followed by the royal cortege ter the session of the court on Mon-

St. Joseph's New Library. Work has commenced on the new Carnegie library at St. Joseph. The building will cost \$25,000, and will be

ready for use on August 15, next. Little Girl Burns to Death. Sarah B. Lester, the five-year-old daughter of a Kansas City merchant, has presented to President Francis a attended a birthday party, and was fine gavel made from black walnut burned to death at play.

Acquitted of Murder Charge. At Hamilton, O. P. Barron, charged with murder, was acquitted by the jury, which was out over a day before reaching a verdict.

Shot and Killed His Father. At Barnes' Ridge, New Madrid county, Will Procter, aged 22, shot his to make a series of moving pictures ather, George Procter, who died six showing the principal features of the spondent of the Times pointedly charm may very appropriately be hours later. Fought a Burglar.

Miss Mae Kelly fought a negro turglar for 15 minutes, and prevented the theft of valuable family jewsis, at St. Louis.

Beaten by Burglars. At St. Joseph, Wesley Gan, a constable, was so badly beaten by burgors that his recovery is impossible.

Current Items of Interest in Connection With the Louisiana Purchase Celebration.

DETAILS ARE RAPIDLY WORKING OUT

Present Interest Largely Centers in the Ground-Breaking Ceremonies December 20-A Beautiful Souvenir Shovel Has Been Made For the Occasion.

St. Louis, Dec. 1.-First Vice-President Corwin H. Spencer, recently re- to Belisario Porras, who is also said ductor, and a prominent Scottish Rite turned from the east, states that to be responsible for the blow suseastern manufacturers are taking tained by the liberal cause last year. great interest in the Louisiana Pur- Porras, it is generally known, caused chase exposition, and will be better a split a few months ago in the librepresented at it than at any former eral headquarters at Charrea, over World's fair at home or abroad.

Water-color sketches of plans for Domingo Diaz. Porras refused to recthe Federal building at the St. Louis The elevator at the Townsend & World's fair have been approved and civil and military chief of the liberal Wyatt Dry Goods Co.'s department signed by the secretary of the treasstore, St. Joseph, fell from the third ury, and are now awaiting the approved signatures of the postmaster general and secretary of the interior. National Commissioner Allen says that there will be an informal and unofficial meeting of the national commission and the board of lady managers at the Manhattan hotel, New

York city, December 5. The Brotherhood of Locomotive En-Estes escaped from the hall and shot, Lawson, who died recently in St. being burned. been started to raise funds for a monument to him.

A full set of rules and regulations, governing exhibits and awards at the United Fruit Co.'s steamer Sun-Louisiana Purchase exposition, ex- rise, communication between Colon cepting only section 6, of article VII., and Bocas del Toro is discontinued. Gray, Shiras, White and McKenna dis-Dr. J. L. Gartrell, on trial at But- which is reserved for possible amend-

President Francis has received a Costa Rica, stating that the invitations of President McKinley and of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Co. had been received with pleasure, and would be complied with to the extent of Costa Rica's ability.

Chief Electrical Engineer Rustin is at work with Director of Works Taylor on the arrangement for the electrical power plant of the World's fair, L. C. Williams, the negro editor of which he says, is to be of 31,000 the Kansas City Observer, died from horse-power, the largest in the world. the effects of a stab wound received Mr. Frederick W. Taylor, superinin a fight with another negro. Will- tendent of agriculture, horticulture Buffalo expositions, has been engaged by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition

The committee on press and publicity has adopted a design for an official poster in colors, to be distributed in all sections of the world and printed in several languages. The poster will contain pictures of Thomas Judge Hough, of St. Louis, ruled Jefferson, Napoleon Bonaparte, President Roosevelt, the late President McKinley, John Hay, who as secretary its relations to foreign countries, and David R. Francis, president of the World's Fair association. It will also contain pictures symbolical of music. son City church, in his sermon literature, art, agriculture, electricity Thanksgiving charged many city and and textiles, and a fac simile repro-

ley's World's fair proclamation. The official report of Gov. John G. Brady, of Alaska, to the United States government was made public on November 28. The governor recommends that congress appropriate \$100,000 for an Alaskan exhibit at the St. Louis

A committee to arrange for athletic and other sporting tournaments at the St. Louis World's fair has been ing athletic associations of the United States are represented on the com-

The classification of exhibits for At St. Louis, Dr. Max Birenbaum the World's fair has been completed and his brother, Louis, charged with by Director of Exhibits Skiff and sent to the printer with the rules and regulations. The classification comprises fifteen departments, 144 groups and 807 classes.

A shovel, made in St. Louis, to represent the highest development of the shovel-maker's art, has been offered by Mr. A. L. Shapleigh to President Francis for use in breaking ground It is a heavy stell, D-handled, "dianibus while the horses were running being silver plated and the whole implement gotten up regardless of expense, to be laid away as a memento, these buildings look so imposing as with an inscribed silver plate after now. the ground-breaking. The old woodin the press some weeks ago, will also and elaborate ceremonies will be ob-

The Hot Springs (Ark.) World's Fair commission has decided to call on the citizens of that city for \$25, 000, and has appointed committees to raise that amount for the purpose of a local exhibit.

isaac S. Taylor, director of works, wood cut on the site of the World's fair in Forest park. "This gavel is the only souvenir made from the in Rome of an American library has wood cut from the site," the letter been ordered by royal decree. The accompanying the gift said. The gav- library will contain all publications el is about a foot long and is very relating to the new world since its highly polished.

The American Biograph and Mutoscope Co. of New York has arranged celebration on December 20—the mentions the fact that Lord Curson, given on Christmas, which is the formal ground breaking, speech-mak- viceroy of India, when journeying in world's birthday. Then, too, the turing, parade, etc

The first money received by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Co., exclusive of subscriptions to stock, was a silver quarter from Mrs. Ida Schwentler, of St. Louis, for a stick of wood which she wanted to pay for, ber cut down in Forest park.

COLON AND PANAMA QUIET. All Parties Seem to Accept Present Conditions as Inevitable

and Permanent. Colon, Dec. 1 .- Yesterday and today passed uneventfully at Colon and Panama. Both liberals and conservatives are gradually resuming their

customary intercourse and fraternizing the one with the other. There is no undue boasting on the part of the present victors nor ill-concealed hatred on the part of those who sympathize with the vanquished. Consequently there have been no disturb-

ances or unseemly behavior. Recent events, however, are the only topic of conversation. Many liberals allege that all blame for the final turn of events is primarily due a question of precedence, and seniority of rank between himself and Gen. ognize the authority of Gen. Diaz as army. He subsequently effected the withdrawal of many men with their arms to certain mountain fastnesses in another direction, where they are still supposed to be.

The vicinity of Charrea (where the liberals had their headquarters be- were, at the time the rings were fore the attack on Colon) offers many brought in, American territory; ceasfacilities for insurgent campaigns, as ing to be foreign, they became docattle and other food requisites are there plentiful.

A few dead bodies still remainalong the railroad line. These bodies are

The British cruiser Tribune sailed the St. Louis World's fair as the first from Colon this afternoon for Bocas were not sufficient to change the sitlocomotive engineer in America, and del Toro (70 miles west of Colon), as the builder and "driver" of George where it is surmised the liberal Stephenson's first locomotive in Eng- forces are rising, being ignorant of land. Since his death a movement has the recapture of Colon. The Colonbian gunboat Gen. Pinzon will also shortly sail for Bocas del Toro.

Owing to the loss, last week, of

PHILIPPINES FINANCES.

Question of Maintaining the Parity of Gold and Silver Glying Concern.

Manila, Dec. 2.- The financial situation in the Philippine islands is causing considerable alarm. In an interview published in Manila, Henry C. Ide, chief of the department of finance and justice, referred to the probable enforcement of an alterapresent government parity of two pines. The other case involves the The United States post office here now refuses, except to government employes, to issue money orders in exchange for Mexican silver. The banks of Manila have been making from six to eight per cent. on exchange. Merchants and others are forced to carry their accounts in Mexican silver. The commercial community has relied upon the United States Philippine commission to continue the situation of two Mexican dollars for one gold dollar, which

the commission itself created. The commission is unable to act in the matter without the authority of congress. This authorization has been requested. Charles A. Conant, special commissioner of the war department to investigate the state of coinage and banking in the Philipton, was the bearer of the commission's views on this matter. The stores of Manila are compelled to acpaying as high as six per cent. pre-

American gold. Local bankers say that if the salaries of all insular employes were paid in the local or Mexican currency, independently of the fluctuations of this currency, and if the government had not attempted to enforce a rate northern division of Illinois. In that of exchange, the present financial court the facts set up in Pepke's plea situation would never have arisen.

EMPRESS AN IS FATIGUED. Must Rest One Week Before Undertaking Final Stage of Jour-

ney to Pekin. Pekin, Dec. 2 .- Prince Ching has informed the ministers of the foreign powers that, owing to the fatigue of the dowager empress, resulting from her travels, the last stage of the im-December 20 on the World's fair site. perial court's journty has been postponed for one week. Great preparamond-edged" shovel, with ebony han- tions are being made here for the redle fitting into a beautifully-curved ception of the royal party. All the ceived by being thrown from an om- and finished steel secket, all the steel palaces and temples have been repainted and regilded. The foreign residents of Pekin never have seen

sas City, was among the killed in a the old iron shovel of 1803 mentioned will be lined with Manchu bannermen day next a recess will be taken for

A Display of Wild West Tactics. Alliance, O., Dec. 2.-Three desperadoes gave a display of wild west tactics here yesterday. They entered two houses, held up the inmates, held up seven persons on the street and finally stole a horse and buggy, with which they made their escape.

American Library in Rome. Rome, Dec. 2.-The establishment

American Enterprise in India. London, Dec. 2 .- The Indian corre-

Burmah, crossed the Goktoik viaduct, quoise signifies "prosperity," a pretty built by Americans and drawn by idea for the new year. American engine. Visited by His Father's Sins.

of the boxer trouble.

Decision Handed Down In the Celebrated Fourteen Diamond Rings Case.

ADVERSE TO THE GOVERNMENT CLAIM.

The Decision, Which was Not Unanimous, is To the Effect that At the Time the Rings Were Brought In the Philippines Had Become Domestic Territory.

Washington, Dec. 3.-The United States supreme court rendered a decision in the case of Emil J. Pepke vs. The United States. This is the case known as the "Fourteen Diamond Rings case" and involves the constitutionality of the imposition of customs duties upon merchandise brought into the United States from the Philippine islands after the exchange of the peace treaty with Spain. The opinion was handed down by Chief Justice Fuller.

Adverse To the Government. The opinion was adverse to the claims of the government, on the ground that the Philippine islands mestic territory, he said. The decision in the DeLima Porto Rican cases were cited at length and it was held that the resolution adopted by congress concerning the Philippines

Four Justices Dissented. The chief justice concluded his opinion by reversing the decision of the court below. Justice Brown read an opinion concurring in the result, but differing from the conclusions drawn on minor points. Justices

sented. This case is one of the two important cases left undecided by the court at its last term when it decided a number of cases involving the customs relation of the United States with its insular possessions.

The cases decided at that time bore entirely upon the relations of this country with Porto Rico and this was the only case of a large number which were then argued and considered which involved the relations of the United States with the Philip-Mexican dollars for one gold dollar. right to impose duties on articles exported from the United States to Porto Rico. Much interest has been manifested in this Philippine case, because of the probability of legislation relating to the Philippines at the approaching session of congress. The record shows that Pepke, who was the respondent in the court below, was a soldier in the army of the United States in the island of Luzon; that while there and after the ratification of the peace treaty he purchased the 14 diamond rings which

are involved in the case. Brought the Rings Home. He afterward brought these rings, while still in the service of the United States, aboard the United States vessel transporting his regiment to San Francisco, where he was mustered out. Later he came with the pines, and report to the secretary of rings to Chicago, where the rings war recommendations for remedial were seized by the custom office unlegislation, who is now in Washing. der the claim that the Philippine islands were foreign territory, and merchandise brought from those islands to the United States was subcept two Mexican dollars for one gold ject to customs duties which were dollar, while Chinese speculators are not paid by Pepke. Pepke set up the claim that the imposition of duties ium in American paper money for upon merchandise under the circumstances was contrary to the constitution of the United States and in violation of the rights as a citizen of the United States. His case came to the supreme court from the district court of the United States for the were admitted by demurrer filed by the United States, and that court sustained the demurrer, overruling the plea and entering judgment against the merchandise thus seized and directing that it be sold in accord with the law and from this decision the

present writ of error was prosecuted.

The Government Sustained. Washington, Dec. 3.-The United States supreme court decided the second of the Dooley cases, involving the constitutionality of the law of April 12 providing for the collection of duty on articles shipped from the United States into Porto Rico. The decision was rendered by Justice Brown. The government is sustained in the second Dooley case.

Supreme Court Will Recess. Washington, Dec. 3.-Chief Justice Upon the day of the reception the Fuller yesterday announced that affour weeks, the court to reconvene on January 6.

DICTATES OF FASHION.

One attractive tan cloth gown is trimmed with the soutache braid in black and white.

Corset covers of fine lawn are occasionally trimmed with deep cream lace insertions and edges and are pretty when worn with deep cream-colored

petticoats. New French felt hats in rough beaver and shaggy camel's-hair effects, also in mottled, heather-mixed and granite weavings, are worn en suite with util-

ity costumes of like pattern. Turquoise matrix in as fashionable as ever. The turquoise is, moreover, the stone for December, so that a lucky

Steel and black are combined frequently with good effects this year. In some of the smart stocks the dots Shanghai, Dec. 2.- The heir appa- of velvet which make a good trimming rent, Pu Chun, has been deposed by for so many things are set upon a lace imperial edict on the ground that his or net foundation and encircled with the stick being a souvenir of the time father, Prince Tuan, was the author beads, black and steel alternating. Lines of black and steel beads are to be seen in other combinations on stocks.